

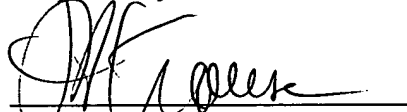
REMARKS

In the above-identified Office Action Claim 2 was identified as being allowable if amended so as not to depend from a rejected claim. In this regard, Applicant has amended Claim 2 so that it is now presented in independent form including all of the limitations of previous Claims 1 from which it depended. Also, all of the other claims now remaining in the application have been amended to depend from allowable Claim 2.

For these reasons, Applicant submits that all of Claims 2 and 4-7 are allowable, and the issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance is solicited.

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